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Lecture by the Brilliant Orator,

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"First Days of the Confederacy."

Verdict of the Press:

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Evening Tickets 35 and 50 cents,
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FRATERNITY MEETINGS.

Palestine Commandery, No. 8, K. T.
Stated Conclave, Tuesday, Feb. 13.
The order of the Temple will be conferred.
DELOS M. BACON,
Recorder.

Passumpsic Lodge No. 27, F. and A. M.
The next regular Communication will be
held Thursday evening, February 8.
DELOS M. BACON,
Secretary.

Knights of Pythias.
Regular convention of Apollo Lodge No. 2
Tuesday night, February 6.
L. P. SLACK, Chancellor Commander.
J. M. CUSHMAN, Keeper of Records and Seal.

The finest shops in a Chinese city are
those devoted to the sale of coffins.

NEW ADS. THIS WEEK.

Pure Lost.
Boarders Wanted.
Prices—L. F. Frye.
Piano for Sale or Rent.
Girl Wanted at Hanover.
Usters—Brooks-Tyler Co.
Fine Residence—Old Bee Hive.
St. Johnsbury Lecture Course.
Piano Instruction—M. B. Gorham.
Girl Wanted—Mrs. F. B. Harrison.
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Provide for Tomorrow—L. P. Leach.
Remnants—Lougee Bros. & Smythe.
Pres. of Account—Priscilla Jones' Bat.

Fully 800,000 domestic animals,
valued at \$6,000,000 are annually de-
voured by the wolves in Russia.
A church at Seidlitz, in Bohemia, con-
tains a chandelier made of human bones.

LOCAL GATHERINGS.

—The Museum will be open Saturday
evening.

—S. D. Atwood's bakery has been
thoroughly repaired and presents a very
attractive appearance with new fresco-
ing.

—Co. D's basket ball team and the
Academy team will play the first of a
series of four games at the Armory
Friday evening.

—February 16 is now decided on as
the date for the presentation of Pyg-
malion and Galatea and it is to be given
in Howe Opera House.

—Reserved seat tickets for the 31st
concert and railroad ball to be held at
Lyndonville, February 6, will be on sale
at Stiles' drug store, Thursday morning
at 9 o'clock.

—Letters advertised at the post office
for the week ending January 27: Camp-
bell, Mrs. John; Hitchcock, Mrs. Ida;
Wells, Mrs. Myra; Currier, Calvin J.;
Robinson, Steve.

—Electric lights have been placed in the
Art Gallery at the Athenaeum and the
pictures look finely in this light. The
North church and chapel is soon to be
equipped with the same light.

—The case of Edward P. Buckley pro-
prietor of the billiard and pool room un-
der the Avenue House, charged with vio-
lation of the liquor law, was continued
from Monday until Feb. 12th.

—Lambert Packard, architect, has
moved his office to the room opposite his
old room. W. W. Sprague will use both
rooms hereafter for his extensive insur-
ance business and is putting in new fur-
niture.

—The American Federation of Labor
have changed their meeting place from
the Pythian Hall to the Junior Order
Hall and hereafter will hold their meet-
ings the second and fourth Saturdays of
the month.

—A. B. Stark, who always has some
prize steers at the county fair, has a pair
of Hereford steers that measure seven
feet and weigh 3000 pounds. They are
a handsome pair of animals and are sure
to be premium winners.

—A petition from the Board of Trade
sent to Congress last week asking for
a repeal of the national bankruptcy law.
Vermont has already had over 400 cases
since the law went into effect.

—There is evidence that quite a lively
interest will be taken in snowshoeing
here this winter. Quite a number of en-
thusiasts have already taken short trips
and Monday's heavy snow fall makes
possible a splendid opportunity for this
delightful sport.

—The Lyndon Club come here tonight
to play in the eighth night of the tourna-
ment. At last week's playing at Lyn-
donville the Mystic Club won 69 points
in billiards and six tricks in whist. The
Mystic Club are now 426 ahead in
billiards and 34 tricks behind in whist.

—Those who are interested in the ex-
hibition of amateur photographs are re-
quested to meet at the commercial room
of the Academy next Tuesday evening at
7.30. About 50 have become interested
in the undertaking and the time of the
exhibition will probably be decided at this meeting.

—The first storm of the season struck
this section on Sunday night and by
Monday noon nearly a foot of snow had
fallen. Considering the heavy fall of
snow the trains did very well on Mon-
day as none of them were over an hour
late. The snow drifted badly on the
hills, but came just as the sleighing got
quite poor.

—Prof. C. W. Pickells, who leaves to-
day for his new field of labor in Burling-
ton, N. J., was presented yesterday with
\$25 from the teachers and scholars in
the public schools as a recognition of his
faithful labors in teaching music in the
public schools. With the gift was the
desire that the money be used for the
purchase of books.

—James T. Borland has been appointed
sexton of the North church to succeed
George R. Crosby, resigned. At a special
church meeting last Monday evening a
resolution was passed by a rising vote
thanking Mr. Crosby for his faithful and
patient service for the last 18 years. Mr.
Crosby made a neat little speech and
thanked all for this expression of con-
fidence.

—Senator Gordon of Georgia, who lec-
tures here next week Thursday evening,
has not forgotten the cordial reception he
received here four winters ago. The
southern lecture bureau wrote that he
must cancel his northern dates as they
had booked him so extensively through-
out the south, and he notified them that
whatever they did he was coming to St.
Johnsbury anyway.

—Charles S. Hastings, general Agent
for the State Mutual Life Assurance Co.
of Worcester, may well be proud over the
showing that company made in 1899.

They wrote during the year 4614 policies,
insuring \$11,591,788 and their net in-
come was over three and one-half million
dollars. They now have a net surplus
of over one million and a half dollars,
assets of \$16,109,174.77 and insur-
ance in force amounting to \$75,000,-
000.

—The next lecture in the Star course
is by Gen. Gordon of Georgia. Those
who were so charmed by his eloquent
lecture on the last days of the confed-
eracy a few years ago will want to hear
him again and his subject at his lecture
on the evening of Thursday, Feb. 8, is
"The First Days of the Confederacy." Senator
Gordon is one of the leading
orators of the South and his lecture is
full of patriotism and a distinct contribu-
tion to American history.

—The first rehearsal of the Choral
Union will be held in the Museum class
room on Friday evening, Feb. 9, under
the leadership of Prof. Blaisdell. All
singers are especially urged to be present
at the first meeting both to encourage
the leader and to show their loyalty to
this most laudable enterprise. Rehear-
sals will be held every Friday evening
after Feb. 9 and all who have not secured
their tickets can obtain them of Homer
E. Smith at the First National Bank.

In Honor of Robert Burns.

The Scotia Club held their first public
meeting on Thursday evening in Athen-
aeum Hall and the celebration in honor
of the 141st anniversary of Robert Burns
was a brilliant and gratifying success.
It was a cold and dreary night, but the
hall was crowded to the doors to hear
Wendell P. Stafford and the enthusiasm
and appreciation of the audience was
great. Rev. Dr. Edward T. Fairbanks, as
president of the club, extended a hearty
greeting to all present and briefly ex-
plained the objects the club sought to
attain. He was followed by a duet
"There's nae luck about the house",
given by Mrs. Allison and Mrs. Steele.
As an encore they gave "Coming thro
the rye" and both selections were much
enjoyed by the audience. Master Ralph
McLeod charmed all with his fine render-
ing of "Scots wha hae" and was heartily
cheered at the close.

Mr. Stafford was most gracefully in-
duced by the president and spoke for
great success. His points were illumined
by many extracts from his poems, which
were given with a ring that must have
delighted every Scotchman present. Ap-
plause during the address was frequent
and he held the closest attention of the
audience until the close. It was Mr.
Stafford's best effort and delivered in a
faultless style that pleased all. As a fit-
ting close to the meeting the audience
sang "Auld lang syne." A deli-
cious exchange of social greetings in the
art gallery closed the evening's enter-
tainment.

Supreme Court Decisions.

A decision has been rendered in the
Caledonia county court in the case of
George H. King vs. Alexander Cochrane,
special assumpit. In this case judgment
was reversed, the demurrer sustained,
declaration deemed insufficient, and
judgment rendered for the defendant.
Dunnett & Slack were the attorneys for
the defendant.

In the case of A. A. Sparks, receiver, vs.
Warren Estabrooks, the court has re-
versed a decision sustaining the demurrer.
This suit was brought to recover an
assessment in a fire insurance company
and the court holds that the suit cannot
be brought in the receiver's name. Dun-
nett & Slack were the attorneys for the
plaintiff and Bates, May & Simonds for
the defendant. A decision was rendered
in the Orleans county case of William H.
Willey against the Boston & Maine rail-
road. The exceptions of plaintiff were
sustained, judgment reversed and cause
remanded.

House Warming and Presentation.

The members of St. Aloysius church
gathered at the parish house Wednesday
night to give a "house warming" to
Rev. Fr. Lynch. After an enjoyable
social hour the popular priest was pre-
sented with a purse of \$75, the presen-
tation address being gracefully made by
Ray Trainor. Fr. Lynch responded very
feelingly and during the evening light
refreshments were served.

Rev. Fr. Lynch left for Boston the
following night to undergo an operation
for appendicitis. His many friends both in
and out of the church hope he will soon
return to his work in the best of health.

Birthday Anniversary.

Mrs. James Mackinnon, of Richmond,
P. Q., was given a surprise party last
Thursday in honor of her eightieth birth-
day when her four sons met at her home
and had a delightful family gathering.
The four men were T. A. Mackinnon, of
Boston, first vice-president of the Boston
& Maine, James Mackinnon, of Cowansville,
George Mackinnon, of Toronto,
and Robert Mackinnon, of St. Johnsbury.
Before removing to Richmond Mrs. Mac-
kinnon lived for about 25 years in Lyn-
donville and her many friends there will
extend congratulations to her and wish
her continued health and happiness.

Brightlook Hospital.

Annual Meetings of the Aid Association
and the Hospital Corporation.

The annual meeting of the Brightlook
Hospital Aid Association was held at
Mrs. P. F. Hazen's, Monday afternoon,
the president, Mrs. Henry Fairbanks, in
the chair. The treasurer reported \$437-
61 in the treasury and a membership of
103. Early in November a thorough
census of the town was begun to ob-
tain funds and supplies for the hospital,
and the finance committee who had this
large work in hand have met with much
success. To Mrs. E. T. Ide, the chair-
man of this committee, is due much credit
for her untiring labor in this direction.
As a result of this canvass yearly pledges
have been taken to the amount of \$575
which added to the amount pledged at
the hospital meeting in November in
Music hall, makes the pledges for this
year \$1293. Of this sum \$400 has been
already paid.

A training school for nurses was
started Jan. 1 with six pupils, who have
entered upon their work with much in-
terest. These nurses receive lectures from
the different physicians, and cooking
lessons from Miss Patterson, beside their
instruction from the superintendent and
her assistant. The sewing committee
have furnished bed linen, towels, sash
curtains and night-gowns. The charity
committee supplied a needy patient with
clothing. The reading committee have
sent readers to read aloud to the
patients, have secured funds for a year's
subscription to Harper's Weekly and a
three months' subscription to a daily pa-
per, besides many second hand books
and magazines. Plants and flowers have
brightened the rooms and many articles
of food and household supplies have
been given by people who have the inter-
est of the hospital at heart. Among the
more valuable gifts should be mentioned
a wheel chair from the Woman's Relief
Corps, a framed picture from Mrs. Mac-
kinnon's Sunday school class and a
unique lap table from Miss Ellen W.
Clarke, of Norwich.

Since the opening of the hospital in July
there have been 66 patients and three
deaths.

The following officers were elected for
the year:
President, Mrs. T. C. Fletcher.
Vice president, Mrs. Henry Fairbanks.
Auditor, Mrs. O. M. P. Stone.

Committees for three months: Finance,
Mrs. J. W. Balch, Mrs. R. F. Rollins,
Mrs. E. H. Gaskill, Mrs. C. V. Perry,
Mrs. G. E. Hazen; House and visiting,
Mrs. J. M. Allen, Mrs. C. H. Merrill,
Mrs. H. C. Bates; Charity: Mrs. S. H.
Brackett, Mrs. E. T. Ide, Mrs. Henry G.
Bly; Sewing: Mrs. Lizzie Wallace, Mrs.
P. F. Hazen, Mrs. D. D. Patterson, Mrs.
Uriah Elliot, Mrs. N. R. Switzer;
Flowers: Miss Luella Merrill, Mrs. S. T.
Brooks, Mrs. C. H. Turner; Reading:
Mrs. C. C. Follensby, Mrs. C. E. Ayers,
Mrs. W. L. Heath.

The annual fee of twenty-five cents and
quarterly payments due on the pledges
will be received by the treasurer, Mrs.
W. P. Smith.

The adjourned annual meeting of the
Brightlook Hospital association was
held at the hospital Friday morning.
Besides the election of officers several
amendments were made to the constitu-
tion. The most important was in rela-
tion to members of the association which
as adopted is as follows:

This corporation shall be composed of
the charter members and their successors,
of additional members elected by them,
not exceeding 17 in all, and of life or an-
nual members, made such by contribut-
ing to the funds of the hospital as hereinafter
provided. Any person may become a
life member by contributing not less
than \$5000, or upon such a contribution
the donor may become a member. Any
person or religious or benevolent society
contributing a sum sufficient to support
a free bed for one year may become or
name a member for that period. Candi-
dates for election as members shall be
nominated by the executive board, and
the nomination sent with the notice of
the meeting to each member of the cor-
poration, and a two-thirds vote of the
members present at such meeting shall
be required to elect.

The election of officers resulted in the
choice of the following:

President, Henry Fairbanks.
Vice president, Frank H. Brooks.
Secretary, Dr. Edward H. Ross.
Treasurer, Dr. W. J. Aldrich.

Members of the executive board for
three years: Frank H. Brooks, Dr. E.
W. Hitchcock, T. M. Howard; for two
years, T. C. Fletcher, Dr. W. J. Aldrich,
P. F. Hazen; for one year, Alexander
Dunnett, Dr. J. M. Allen, Henry Fair-
banks.

Henry Fairbanks was elected president
of the executive board and Dr. W. J.
Aldrich secretary and treasurer.
These new members were elected to the
corporation: Frank H. Brooks, W. P.
Stafford, P. F. Hazen, Harvin Paddock,
Arthur F. Stone, Dr. L. W. Hubbard of
Lyndon, George P. Blair of West Barnet,
Congressman W. W. Grout, Dr. S. E.
Darling of Groton, Senator Jonathan
Ross, Charles H. Stevens.

A resolution was introduced by Rev.
Edward T. Fairbanks and unanimously
passed thanking Col. Fletcher for his
untiring services as president the past
year. Col. Fletcher declined a re-election
as president, and A. H. McLeod and H.
N. Turner declined a re-election on the
executive board and their places were
filled by Frank H. Brooks and P. F.
Hazen.

Church Notes.

The subject of discourse at the First
Baptist church next Sunday morning
will be, "The Word of God the true life
of man" and in the evening, "Personal
efforts in christian service."

The Ladies' Missionary society will
meet with Mrs. Hussey Thursday, Feb.
1, at 3 p. m. All ladies of the parish
cordially invited.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Odd
Fellows' block. Mornings service at 10.45.
Subject, "Soul." Wednesday evening
meeting at 7.30. Reading room open
Wednesday and Thursday from 2 to 5.
Christian Science literature on hand,
every one is welcome, and those in at-
tendance will be glad to see you.

The ladies' society of Grace Methodist
church will serve a clam chowder and
variety supper Thursday evening, Feb.
8, from 6 to 8 o'clock. This is to be fol-
lowed by an entertainment and social
hour. Look for annual chicken pie din-
ner of February 22, served by the same
society.

Rev. Fr. Marceau officiated at St.
Aloysius church last Sunday and it is ex-
pected that a Boston priest will preach
there next Sunday.

The ladies of the South church gave an
oyster supper last evening, followed by a
social.

The ladies of the North church give an
oyster supper and social next Friday
evening. After the supper there will be a
talk by Arthur F. Stone entitled "An
Hour in Germany."

At Grace Methodist church next Sun-
day the subject of the sermon will be, "A
door in Heaven" and of the evening
lecture, "An all night Wrestler."

The Story of Manila Bay.

On Monday morning, after the open-
ing exercises in the chapel, the students
were very delightfully and profitably en-
tertained with a stirring narrative of the
historic naval combat of Manila Bay,
told by one who was a participant in
that famous engagement. Robert Wal-
lace, who has been visiting relatives in
St. Johnsbury for a few days, called at
the Academy on Friday last and was re-
quested by Principal Comstock to speak
to the Academy students at sometime
during his stay in town. Like a typical
man-o'-war's man, he protested that he
couldn't talk, but yielded somewhat
later and consented to speak on Monday
morning. He proved conclusively that
he could not only talk but that he could
talk well, and for half an hour he com-
manded the closest attention of every
student and teacher. Mr. Wallace was
chosen the first class.

In an informal way, Mr. Wallace was
clear and graphic manner, he described
the assembling of the Asiatic squadron
at Hong Kong, the reception of the news
of the destruction of the "Maine," the
deep impression that it made upon the
minds of the men of the squadron, and
how they found confirmation of what
they hoped might be a groundless rumor
in the "half-masting" of the flags on
English, German, Russian, and French
men-o'-war in Hong-Kong harbor, out
of respect to the memory of the dead
American sailors. Then came monoto-
nous and restless weeks of waiting; then
an official statement of the declaration
of war and orders for the movement of
the squadron; and then the busy prepa-
rations for active duty—the "war-paint,"
transforming the vessels into those
bluish-gray craft that were to make the
American navy famous, the making of
the battle flag, upon which many mem-
bers of the crew sewed the stars, each
one for his own state. Then were de-
scribed the approach to Manila Bay, the
preliminaries of the fight, with many a
touch of pathos and the humor which
finds a strange mingling in the man-o'-
war's man's cool, fearless and methodi-
cal preparations for a battle. The story
of the fight was well told, with
fresh incidents of that famous morning's
history on the Olympia. How the gun-
ner, by his clear-headedness, saved his
whole gun-crew from death; how there
came the false alarm of "fire in the maga-
zine"; how cheers greeted every new suc-
cess and how the good news was passed
to those who worked far below in the
depth of the ship; the final shot and
victory—all this was told as only a
sailor, who was "in it," could tell the
story. The hearty applause at the con-
clusion of his talk gave evidence of the
keen appreciation felt by all.

A Fine Concert.

That is the general verdict of all who
heard the concert by the Fadedets
Woman's Orchestra in Music Hall last
Friday evening. Mrs. Nichols is an
ideal conductor and charmed all with
the ease and skill which she displays on
the stage. The audience, for once in
their lives, showed an appreciation of
good music and called for encores on
many occasions. The orchestra were
generous in their response and gave some
very choice selections. Miss Mabel Waite
possesses a sweet soprano voice and
gave three songs and an encore. The
only other soloist was Miss Bertha Webb,
who gave Vieuxtemps' "Fantasie Ca-
price" in a highly artistic manner. On
one of the encores the ladies gave
"Whistling Ruus" which proved very
taking with the crowd. The entire
programme was given in such a spirited
manner and was so varied in its char-
acter that it thoroughly pleased the
large audience that braved the rough
winter weather to hear what is un-
questionably the greatest organization
of woman players in the country.